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Mark S. Hayward **Acting New England Regional Administrator** U.S. Small Business Administration

Mark S. Hayward was named Acting New England Regional Administrator on June 4, 2007, and will continue in this position until further notice. Hayward will also continue to serve as the SBA's Rhode Island District Director, a position he has held since 2000.

As SBA's Acting Regional Administrator, Hayward will be responsible for managing the district offices in the six New England states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont as well as a branch office in Springfield, MA. As regional administrator, he will also have oversight responsibilities for all of SBA's financial assistance, management counseling, business development and minority enterprise development activities throughout New England.

Hayward began his SBA career in 1990 when he was appointed the U.S. Small Business Administration's Acting Chief Counsel for Advocacy. Prior to his selection as Rhode Island District Director, Hayward served as deputy district director and assistant district director for economic development for SBA in Rhode Island. Other SBA appointments include: Massachusetts District Director from March 2004 through March 2005 and acting New England Regional Administrator from January 2001 through February 2002 and August 2004 through March 2005.

Hayward began his career in federal service in 1982. He served as Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs at the US Environmental Protection Agency 1982-1983 and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Territorial and International Affairs and other positions at the US Department of the Interior from 1983-1989. Prior to 1982 he served as Mayor and Council Member in the City of East Providence, Rhode Island.

He is a native of East Providence, Rhode Island, and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Providence College.